

the Indians allied with the Colonial army, "great numbers of whom attended divine service constantly, regularly, and decently."¹

In 1770 the Rev. John Stuart, by the recommendation of Sir William Johnson to the Society, was appointed missionary to the Mohawks at Fort Hunter. This good man won the confidence and respect of all who knew him. Mrs. Schuyler felt for him "the utmost veneration". Mrs. Grant says of him in her Memoirs, "he labored among the Indians with apostolic zeal, and with the same disregard for the things of this world". He prepared with the assistance of the celebrated Joseph Brant, the famous Indian chief, a Mohawk translation of the Gospel of St. Mark, with a compendious History of the Bible, and an Exposition of the Church Catechism. In 1774 the death of Sir William Johnson brought great sorrow and loss to Mr. Stuart. On the breaking out of the War of the Revolution, he naturally remained loyal to the British King, and naturally exerted an influence upon his Indians which soon made him obnoxious to the yeomanry of the Mohawk Valley. He was beloved by the Indians, and protected by them for a time; but upon the approach of Burgoyne, the Mohawks hastened to join his army, and shared his downfall. Having been put upon "parole", and forbidden to leave the place, Mr. Stuart lived in Schenectady for some time; but in 1781 he was permitted with his family to remove to Canada. The honorable title of the "Father of the Upper Canada Church" was worthily given him after years of faithful service in "the Dominion",—given not more for his age and the length of his service, than for the kind, paternal advice and encouragement he was ever ready to give. Known among his New York friends as "The Little Gentleman", because six feet, four inches in height, his gentle and conciliatory spirit led him to win men by kindness and persuasion, and his sermons were recommended by the affectionate manner of his delivery.²

The Sir William Johnson mentioned above was an earnest supporter of the Church of England. Living for many years

¹Hawkins' Missions of the Church of England, 283, 284, ff, 286 ff.

²Compare Doc. Hist. N. Y. iii, 645, iv, 313, Hawkins' Missions of the Church of England, 320 ff.